

Our class has some outstanding students and some of these for too many years now. It is hard to achieve the grades that Mr.

Thank you,
The Graduating Class of 1984

Teacher Cuts Are Imminent At GHHS

By Stacey Smith

In spite of the 1½ hour discussion at the April Board of Education meeting on proposed teacher cuts and elimination of some courses, not much was accomplished.

The board meeting on April 12, 1983, in the high school library was attended by many teachers as well as many students and parents. The staff reduction is a move many fear will affect the quality in education.

Bill Colburn, OWE teacher, and chief negotiator for the teachers' association said that four full-time and four part-time teachers will not be renewed after this school year. Also, seven full-time teachers will be offered only part-time renewals.

Dr. Sherry Lahr, Grandview superintendent, then said the cutbacks are related to decreased state funding, inflation, and reduced personal property tax income.

Most students are upset about the proposed cut, and some even said, after the board meeting, that they would join a student walk-out. A student walk-out is similar to a strike. It is when students may leave class, refuse to work, and protest against the cutback of staff and reduction of classes. A walk-out was scheduled at this time last year and was successful in the way it attracted media attention, according to one senior boy who was involved.

One student said, "The teachers being cut have better qualifications than some remaining on the staff."

Although the board is still not sure which teachers are being cut, there is somewhat of an idea among Grandview students. One thing that Grandview students do know is Office Practice, Shorthand II, Science Fiction, and Acting are four courses which will probably be dropped next year because of lack of interest.

The teacher cuts as well as the elimination of some classes will affect 1st grade through 12th grade. The high school students take more of a concern in this proposed cut than do the elementary students because these cuts will mainly affect them in the near future.

The Fish House; Is It Good Or Bad?

By George Kagafas

Be prepared to learn about a life of emotional upsets you only read about, when you enter the Fish House.

The fellowship is strictly run by the five founding elders, the only ones who have the answers to your questions, according to one of the leaders. You are to question no other members; in doing so you would be considered a "trouble maker", and this would lead to possible excommunication.

A new member gives up all personal feelings for those of the body (which is all members of the Fish House). Members are not interested in your feelings or troubles — only that you follow the fellowship.

Within a week of becoming a member you are pressured to get others to come. If you fail at this, you are taken aside and told to try harder. If this continues you are told you are saying "no" to the Bible and God and are asked to leave until you decide to do things the right (their) way. If you are doing something the elders don't like, they will refuse to let members talk to you until you do it their way.

The number one tactic in gaining members is by "becoming their friend". One or two members will spend numerous hours with you for a few weeks. During this time you will go to parties, bars and movies, just have a good time. Fish House members use this close relationship as wedge to get you to go to one of their meetings.

The elders have full control over all your activities. One woman was even asked to quit her job or the fellowship.

These and other similar acts have caused a lot of emotional trauma for some. In fact, Sister Marie Sweeney, of the Newman Center at O.S.U. has formed a selfhelp group for former Fish House followers.

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By Chris Bennett

In this issue of the Bobcat, Jon Doolittle writes an article about Citizens of the Month. I feel that the selection process of this award is not fair. As it is now, once you have been picked as a Citizen of the Month you are ineligible for the award for the rest of the school year, but you can get it the next year. This is supposed to be an honor that involves many different people but it seems that the same group of people is getting picked for this every year. Mrs. Howell, attendance secretary, said over 50% of those picked for Citizen have had it before. I propose that at least for the last time of the year that Citizens of the Month are chosen that the list of nominees should include only the names of those who have not received this honor at any time. This would give these people a more fair chance to be chosen.

Also the qualifications for this award and the voting procedures should be clarified. Can you honestly say that you are sure of how this award is picked? I think that it is time for a revamping of the Citizens of the Month selection process.

College Costs - Expensive!

By Billie Williams

- 1. Ohio State — \$5,300 with dorm
 - 2. Franklin — \$5,800 without dorm
 - 3. Capital — \$8,875 with dorm
 - 4. Otterbein — \$8,400 with dorm
 - 5. Ohio Dominican — \$7,490 without dorm
 - 6. Ohio Wesleyan — \$8,870 with dorm
 - 7. C.T.I. — \$3,000 without dorm
- Furthering your education could be very expensive!

For many seniors, the decision about what college to attend is a major one. Wherever a senior goes, prices will be high. If you're going to Ohio State University, Franklin University, or a technical school, you can be sure you are going to be paying quite a bit. Here are just a few costs of colleges around the area:

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